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## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### THE PARIS CONFERENCES.

London, March 1.  
The Press Bureau announces that a communiqué from Paris says the Inter-Allied Sub-Commission on Ports, Waterways and Railways discussed the British and French Draft Conventions relating to the regime of international and free ports.

The Labour Legislation Commission arrived at a decision under which countries with Federal Constitutions should adhere to the International Labour Conventions. The Commission passed the whole Draft Convention subject to further reading of the text as amended for final approval.

### THE INDUSTRIAL OUTLOOK.

London, February 25 (delayed).  
A Conference of the so-called triple alliance of miners, railwaymen and transport workers was held in London to-day to discuss the industrial position, especially as regard the collieries, with a view to concerted action. It was decided to adjourn until each member of the alliance has had an opportunity of further negotiations; also that no section of the alliance should agree to any settlement until the Conference again met, such meeting to be before March 15.

In the course of a discussion on the Coal Commission Bill, Mr. Lloyd George announced that Mr. Justice Sankey, who is Chairman of the Coal Commission, has promised that if the miners are represented thereon, the report dealing with wages and hours would be submitted by March 20. Mr. Brace welcomed the statement.

The Bill passed the Committee stage and was read a third time.

London, Feb. 25 (delayed).  
Mr. Adamson, in the House of Commons, said the final miners' ballot was 611,988 in favour and 104,997 against a strike; 34,000 abstained. Opinion in the Lobby is that prospects of a settlement are more hopeful than indicated by the debate. Mr. Justice Sankey, Chairman of the Statutory Commission, lengthily conferred with Mr. Lloyd George last evening.

### FORMER LABOUR M. P.'S DEATH.

London, February 25 (delayed).  
The death is announced of Mr. William C. Anderson, former Labour M. P. for the Attercliffe Division of Sheffield, who was a member of the National Administrative Council of the Independent Labour Party.

### SUMMER TIME.

London, February 25 (delayed).  
Summer-time operates from March 30 to September 29.

### FIGHTING AT PRAGUE.

Amsterdam, February 25 (delayed).  
A message from Prague says there was very severe fighting throughout the whole of Saturday. The Communists occupied most of the public buildings. Students and National Guards joined in the battle with the Communists, entered the town and cleared them out from most of the buildings.

### ACROSS THE NORTH POLE.

New York, February 26 (delayed).  
A message from Alaska states that Stoker Stokerson and five other explorers who boarded a floating ice-pack in the Polar Basin last May in an effort to float across the North Pole, "landed safely" on November 7. Stokerson was Stefansson's aide.

### A GERMAN AGREEMENT.

Copenhagen, February 25 (delayed).  
A message from Mannheim says the Majority Socialists and Independent Communists have reached an agreement declaring the Republic proclaimed by the Communists non-existent. The parties acknowledge the Baden Provisional Peoples Government and undertake to abolish martial law and surrender all arms and ammunition.

### SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONALISTS.

Capetown, February 22 (delayed).  
A meeting of Nationalist Members of Parliament decided to accept the Admiral's offer of a warship to convey the Nationalist deputation to England.

### U. S. WAR REVENUE BILL.

Washington, February 25 (delayed).  
It is announced that the President signed the six billion dollar War Revenue Bill aboard a train en route to Washington.

### FRENCH PREMIER OUT OF DANGER.

Paris, February 25 (delayed).  
The doctors declare that M. Clemenceau is out of danger.

### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### DECIDING THE MILITARY CONDITIONS.

London, Feb. 25.  
A Press Bureau communiqué from Paris states that at a meeting of representatives of the Great Powers Marshal Foch submitted the report of the military representatives on the Supreme War Council regarding the military conditions to be imposed on the enemy.

### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

#### THE COAL INDUSTRY COMMISSION.

London, Feb. 25.  
The Press Bureau says: The Coal Industry Commission, of which Justice Sankey is chairman, is composed of twelve members, including Mr. Arthur Ballou, the steel merchant, Mr. Smillie, Mr. Sidney Webb, Sir L. Chiaza Money, Sir Thomas Royden and Sir Arthur Duckham.

#### BRITISH TRADE EXTENSION.

London, Feb. 24.  
At Manchester a meeting of firms associated with the British Manufacturers' Corporation decided to amalgamate with the Federation of British Industries for the purpose of concentrating upon the extension of overseas trade. The chairman, Sir Charles Mandelberg, said it was proposed to establish trade commissioners in overseas markets to protect and advise traders and to work in the closest touch with the Government representatives abroad. It was hoped to appoint a considerable number of commissioners in the next few months.

#### DAY BY DAY.

At the two Ministering League entertainments held recently at the City Hall, the net profit, after paying all expenses, amounted to \$1,783.75.

In his candidature for a seat on the Legislative Council, Mr. Alabaster is proposed by Mr. Montague Ede and seconded by the Hon. Mr. Holyoak.

Thirty-four British Army officers are now passing through the Colony on their way to Vladivostock, and from thence will proceed to join General Knox's Mission in Russia.

We have been requested to deny the rumour, which has been circulated in the Colony, to the effect that Stoker Walsh, R. N., who was knocked out by a blow to the jaw by Stoker Neill, R. N., at the boxing contests held at the Police Reserve Club, last Friday, had since died. Stoker Walsh is in the best of health. What actually happened was that a Stoker, who should have fought A. B. Donaghay, R. N., died on the Friday and was buried on Saturday.

A Chinese, who found a pair of trousers drying out in Wong Nei-cheong village, removed them from the pole and beat a hurried retreat to Happy Retreat. He came to Hongkong four days ago. His face was his fortune, so he said. He had one dollar in the savings bank before he landed on our shores. He took this out, paid fifty cents for passage and the balance he frittered away.

He graced the dock this morning in Mr. Wood's Court. Mr. Wood requested him to beat a retreat to the Victoria Gaol and remain there for a month. So the man stole a pair of trousers, made a retreat to Happy Retreat and is now ordered to retreat to the Unhappy Retreat. Whilst the attack was being made upon Mr. Neeson, another robber had attacked Mrs. Neeson and Miss Square, attempting to throw pepper into their eyes, but seeing that his companion had been rendered more or less *hors de combat*, he became frightened, and made off. Mr. Neeson turned and then saw the first assailant staggering away into the brush on the side of the road.

The ladies were naturally very much frightened and urgently needed the attention of Mr. Neeson; otherwise he would have gone after the first robber and secured him.

Mr. Neeson says that the object of the robbers appeared to him to be to break his leg and then push him over the bridge, and had it not been, as stated, that Mr. Neeson had assumed a stooping position, the attack would no doubt have succeeded. At it was, the blow broke all the glassware contained in the refreshment basket, so forcibly was it delivered.

Mr. Neeson this morning showed our representative a big bruise on the calf of his leg, and, judging from its appearance, one can well imagine the ferocity with which the attack was made. The ladies suffered considerably from shock, but to-day are fortunately little the worse for the encounter.

We understand that an arrest has been made. The bludgeon was left behind by the robbers and is now in the hands of the police.

### EUROPEANS ATTACKED.

#### ATTEMPTED HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

Exciting Incident on Bowen Road.

A daring and villainous attack was made upon three foreign residents of the Colony, on Bowen Road, yesterday morning, at 10 o'clock, and the affair can only be termed one of the most dastardly and brutal attempts on foreigners for many years past. Heavy bludgeons and pepper figured in the affair, and it was only by the smallest chance that the assailed persons managed to get off without serious, if not mortal, injury.

The details of the affair are as follows:—Mr. Neeson of the Pacific Mail Company, and Mrs. Neeson with Miss Square, of Meesa Wm. Powell Ltd., had arranged to go for a picnic to Stanley. They had proceeded a little way along Bowen Road, the first stage of their journey, when, just as they had reached one of the bridges which have no guarding rails, Mr. Neeson had occasion to stoop down to adjust one of the provender baskets. As he did this, a heavily-built Chinese came up from behind and aimed at him a blow with a big blackwood stick, weighing about six pounds. Fortunately, owing to the position Mr. Neeson had assumed—a stooping position—the assailant missed his aim and the blow landed on Mr. Neeson's leg. With the greatest presence of mind and no little pluck, Mr. Neeson recovered himself and struck the robber over the head with his cane. Although the cane was a rather light one, the blow was sufficiently heavy to partially stun the villain, and he staggered, whereupon Mr. Neeson administered two or three more smart blows and then saw to the safety of the ladies.

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Military Division will be distinguished by a vertical red stripe in the centre of the ribbon.

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### ARMED ROBBERY IN KONGMOON.

#### CUSTOMS OFFICIAL SHOT FOUR TIMES.

At about 4 o'clock a.m. last Friday, a murderous attack was made by two armed Chinese, upon Mr. Love, who is in charge of the Chinese Customs, in Kung-moon City. The two villains, who carried revolvers, broke into Mr. Love's quarters, but, upon seeing that he had been disturbed in his sleep, they fired four shots, all of which found their mark in various parts of Mr. Love's body. The attacked gentleman himself had revolver and endeavoured to use it, but it missed fire, having, however, the effect of scaring the robbers who made off without securing anything of value.

Mr. Love was taken to the hospital and is under the care of Dr. Macdonald. Every hope is entertained for the wounded man's recovery, despite the fact that two bullets entered the leg, a third passed through the right hand and the fourth lodged in the groin.

This would appear to be another instance of the danger of foreigners living alone in isolated quarters. Mr. Love had just drawn his pay, and there is no doubt that the robbers were aware of this fact and took advantage of there being no other European living in the vicinity, to make the attack.

### COMPANY REPORT.

#### HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO.

The Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company will, subject to final audit, recommend at the forthcoming annual general meeting of shareholders distribution of the profits for the past year as follows:

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### DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Vanity Fair Co. at Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Coronet Theatre—9.15 p.m.

### TO-MORROW.

Bible Society Annual Meeting at Helena May Institute—9.15 p.m.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co.—Shareholders Meeting noon.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Coronet Theatre—9.15 p.m.

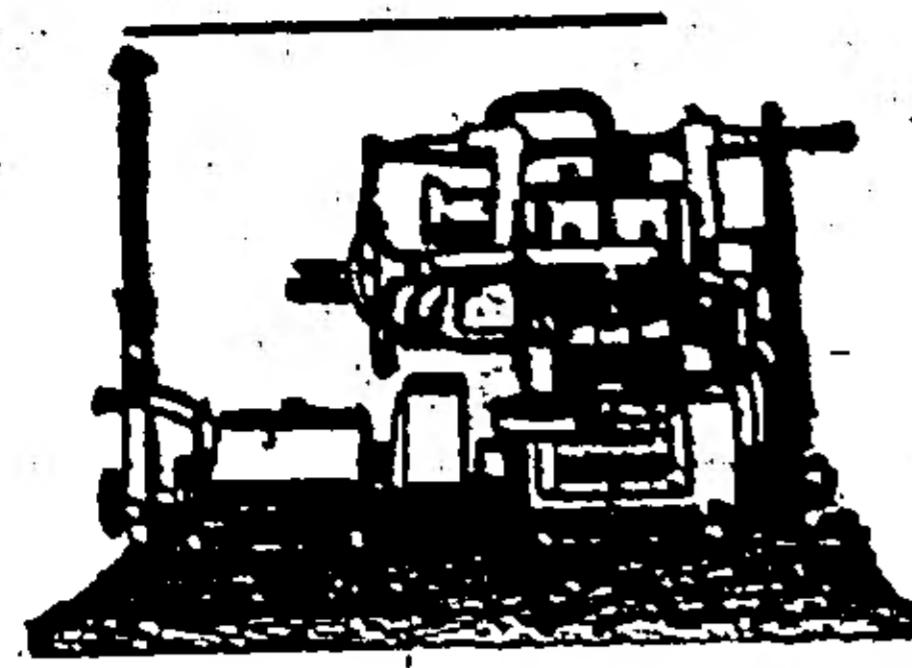
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## GENERAL NEWS.

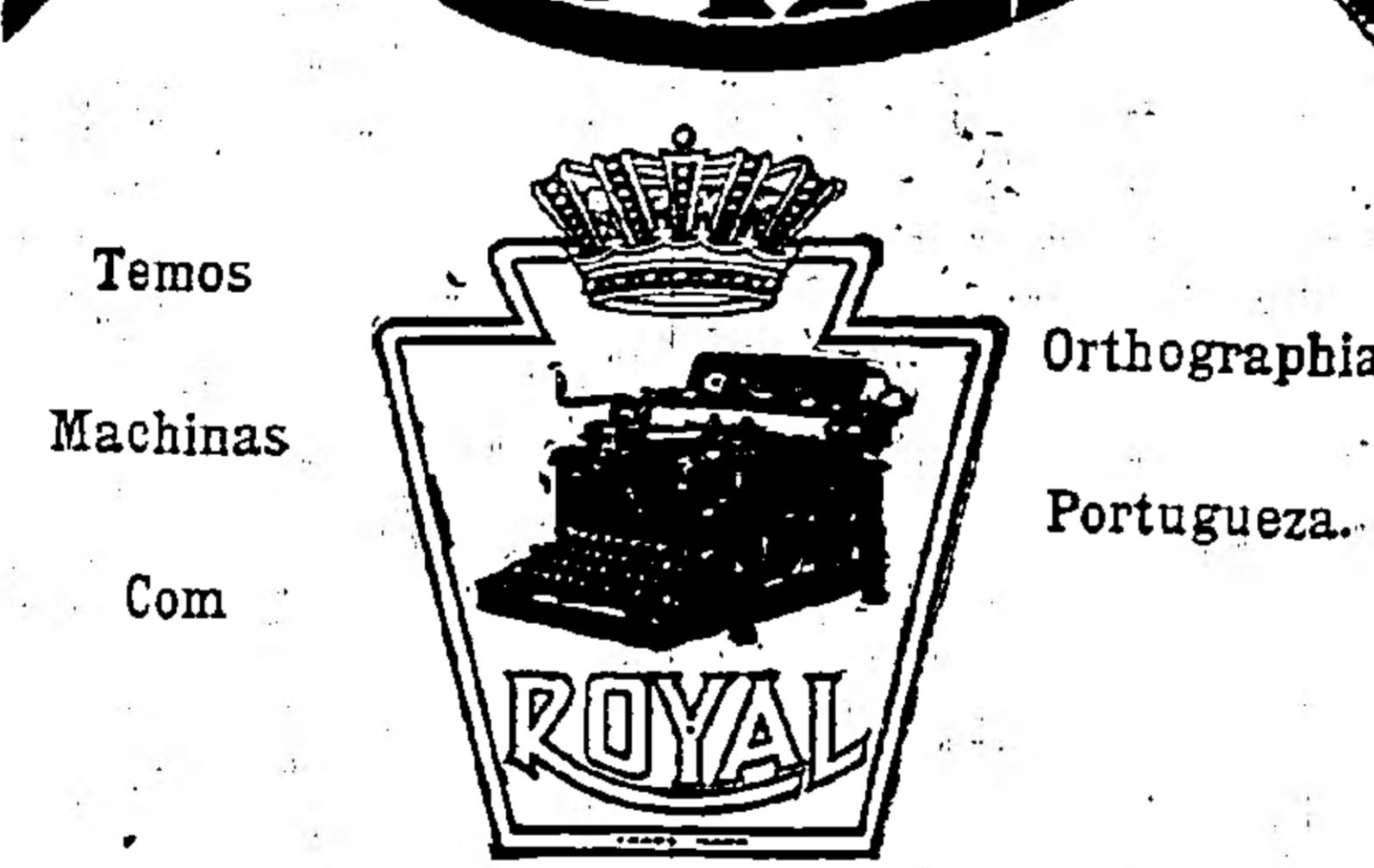
## LOST IN PARIS.

President and Mrs. Wilson had an experience in Paris which has only just been chronicled. They left their hotel unaccompanied on Monday morning for a walk, and were enjoying their incognito so much, says the Paris edition of the New York *Herald*, that they neglected to take note of their wanderings. Eventually they stopped to ask two French boys to direct them to the Hotel Murat. The response was prompt and courteous, and then, to the surprise of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, who did not think they had been recognised, two small hands came out from under the capes the boys were wearing, and the question was asked, "And now, Mr. President, won't you shake hands with us?"

## OPIUM OUGRES.

Ahon Chang, a Chinese carrying on business in Duke-street, Grosvenor-square, surrendered to his bail at Marlborough-street recently on a charge of having opium pipes in his possession. His defence, however, was that he was engaged in curing people of the opium habit, and the magistrate, holding that there was a doubt in the case, discharged him. The police found at defendant's premises several pipes and bowls, but when told that he was suspected of possessing opium defendant replied that he used to smoke, but had given it up seven years ago, and was now engaged in curing people of the habit. They paid him £200 for the cure, he said. He admitted that he had some pipes, but said they had not been used for a long time.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

## RAZZLED BOLSHEVIKS.

In a White Paper just issued by the Foreign Office, Mr. O. Wardrop, who was Consul-General at Moscow, describes how an armed party of Bolsheviks who had orders to raid the Consulate were kept at bay while he destroyed all confidential documents. "Vice Consuls London and Whishaw," says Mr. Wardrop, "with coolness and skill kept the invaders in parley till I had personally in my bedroom carried the work of destruction to such a point, before the threat of violence had actually become effective, that I was at last able to appear in my sitting-room, half-dressed, knowing that there was little probability of any fragments of the burning paper being legible. I still, however, continued to engage the guards in conversation till I felt certain the holocaust was perfect. Meanwhile clouds of heavy, acrid, poisonous smoke were pouring from the window and through the door. The men on watch outside at last succeeded in attracting the attention of those who were in my company. The latter demanded the immediate opening of the door, and exhibited their revolvers to enforce the demand. The door was, however, locked, and the key had been quietly passed to one of the staff, who was not immediately found. When at last the door was opened the fumes were so thick that my bedroom could only be entered, even with the protection of wet cloths over the nose and mouth, at the risk of asphyxiation, and my Bolshevik visitors preferred to leave the apartment incompletely examined, and obtain no close view of the capacious fireplace. When they finally left, I broke the charred fragments very thoroughly, and to the best of my belief, there is not now in the building a single scrap of paper of a strictly confidential kind."

## HAUNTED HOUSE HUNT.

"Haunted house wanted, to rent or purchase, freehold, with five to ten acres of land, within 50 miles of London." So ran an advertisement which appeared recently in a London contemporary. "In my long experience I have never known that class of property to be requisitioned," said a Moorgate-street authority when questioned. "I can only recall one case in which, during a sale, I have been asked whether the property was or was not haunted. A housekeeper had picked up some village gossip about a supposed murder that took place on the estate a century or so before. I emphatically replied in the negative, and I think the price secured showed that my assurance was accepted." Our representative also submitted the advertisement to a Cockspur-street expert, who said:—"This looks like an attempt to secure a bargain. The advertiser has very likely heard tales of property being offered at a low price because some ghost is supposed to haunt the place."

## NAVY'S NEW INTELLIGENCE CHIEF.

Commodore Hugh F. P. Sinclair, C.B., succeeds Rear-Admiral Sir W. R. Hall as Director of Naval Intelligence. Commodore Sinclair, who entered the Service in 1886, is a specialist in torpedo work. During 1904-5 he was assistant to the Director of Naval Ordnance. For three years he was Commander of the Royal Naval Barracks at Portsmouth, and during 1912-13 was on the staff of the Inspector of Target Practice. He became Director of Mobilisation at the Admiralty in 1914, and after holding the position until 1916 was appointed Chief of Staff to Admiral Sir William Pakenham, of the Battle Cruiser Squadron. He was made C.B. in 1916.

## BELGIUM'S COALITION.

The Belgian Socialist Congress has adopted by a large majority the resolution of the Council General approving of the participation of representatives of the party in the Coalition Government. On one of the delegates protesting against any annexationist policy on the part of Belgium, M. Vandervelde replied that if the Government had pronounced itself in favour of an aggressive, annexationist policy towards Holland he would not have entered it.

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## ESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

[Editor's Service to the "Telegraph"]  
NEWS FROM FRENCH SOURCES.

Paris, Feb. 21.

The news of the attempt on the life of M. Clemenceau spread rapidly through the streets, public offices and hotels of Paris, causing feelings of intense anxiety and dismay. In the Chamber the deputies expressed the deepest regret and the hope that M. Clemenceau would soon be able to resume his important task. The leader of the unified Socialists expressed disapproval of political crimes. M. Clemenceau was wounded in three places, in the left arm and left hand and under the right shoulder. The last wound is the most serious, the bullet having entered the upper part of the back near the spinal cord without, however, touching an important organ. M. Clemenceau's condition is reported satisfactory. The delegates of all nations expressed grief and indignation at the attempt on the Premier's life. Mr. Wang, the delegate from China, said it was a terrible shock to all lovers of justice and order and right thinking. Baron Makino, the head of the Japanese delegation, said M. Clemenceau had won affection and respect for himself as France has always had the respect and admiration of Japan.

There is a strong desire in the Council of Ten to expedite the work of the five Commissions appointed by the Peace Conference so that its reports will be ready by March 17, the approximate date of President Wilson's arrival in France.

Much as the assembled diplomats regret the crime there is a feeling that no time will be lost, so well had M. Clemenceau arranged the division of work and the giving of aid to his associates and his ideas on the plans to be accomplished—Havas.

Paris, Feb. 27.

Marshal Foch addressed the Council of Ten on the technical questions connected with the transport to Poland of the two Polish divisions now in France under General Haller to their immediate aid, the delivery to the Poles of munitions of war to enable the Polish forces to maintain their opposition against the Bolsheviks and Germans, and the financial and economic assistance contemplated.

The general feeling of the Conference now tends towards solving the Russian problem by strengthening the independent States forming a fringe around Russia.

French views expressed in the Council of Ten on the future Moroccan political status wish a free hand, that the Act of Algeciras be abolished and that Tangier come under French Protectorate. An agreement with Spain will settle difficulties regarding the Spanish-Moroccan zone.

The final military terms to be demanded from Germany include four separate submissions (military, naval, territorial and economic), that the total future strength of the German army will consist of fifteen infantry and five cavalry divisions, that the General Staff must be disbanded, that the teaching of war as a science be not allowed, that a definite limit be put on the quantity of arms and ammunition and that no German armed forces be allowed west of the Rhine.

The death is announced of professor Chantemesse, aged 65, whose principal work is connected with bacteriology and typhoid fever.

Later.

Marshal Foch, speaking in the Council of Ten, pointed out that the question of Danzig and the two railway lines connecting Danzig with the interior of Poland must be definitely settled as it was inadvisable to land Polish troops in the town and convey them over railway lines actually in the possession of the Germans.

French circles state that France's claims in Morocco concerning Tangier and the effective government of the town are limited only by certain specific guarantees to Great Britain and Spain.

Saturday.

Saturday, March 3, is provisionally fixed for the next plenary session of the Conference when reports of the Commissions may be presented. The most important is the Reparation Commission's report, dealing with the principle upon which compensation is to be exacted and the estimate of the Allies' Bill. Another important report will examine the question of responsibility for the war.

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There is sympathetic comment in the French press on President Wilson's Boston speech. President Wilson was right in congratulating his countrymen on having entered into war solely in defence of an ideal and it is but right to acknowledge that the Belgians, English and French were actuated by the same motives.

The head of the Japanese peace delegation, Marquis Saito, is due at Marseilles to-day. He is greeted by the French press as the liberal leader of his country in close friendship with M. Clemenceau.

M. Clemenceau on Wednesday motored to Versailles. He has had a complete recovery—Havas.

HIGH PASSAGE RATES.

London, Feb. 24.

With regard to high passage rates from India the "Times" shipping correspondent says feeling here seems to be that residents in India have not had fully brought home to them the effect of the enormous increase in the cost of coal, stores, wages and all other items incidental to the carriage of passengers at sea. The Ministry of Shipping fixed the present rates recently and it is claimed that the increase then in no wise corresponded with the rise in expenses. Authorities in London feel that in the present highly unsettled situation any amendment will be entirely inopportune. The outlook for low passage fares on any ocean route for some time is in no way promising in view of the enormous increase in the cost of construction of passenger-ships. For example a passenger-ship which cost £200,000 before the war is now estimated to cost £1,700,000.

BRITISH MISSION TO SERBIA.

London, Feb. 28.

The Press Bureau stated that a British Mission is shortly proceeding to Serbia to investigate the damage resulting from enemy occupation, and to ascertain the extent of the reconstruction necessary and the materials required. The mission will also examine the general economic conditions of Serbia and the prospects of British trade development.

THE "NORE" AND "NAVARA".

London, Feb. 24.

As regards the Singapore protest against the appropriation of two P. and O. steamers to repatriate German women and children from China, it is emphasised that the Ministry of Shipping found great difficulty in allocating ships for this purpose and finally utilised ships already in the Far East. It is recognised that the scheme may be strongly criticised by the enemy and perhaps others, because of breaking up families, but it is maintained that this course of action was inevitable and to yield to the protests would nullify the series of delicate and laborious negotiations for the repatriation of enemy subjects in China, which will finally benefit the political state of China and Allied interests. There is also the question of prestige, whereon it is recalled that British prestige suffered a year ago owing to forgoing a scheme of repatriation then in deference to Franco-Belgian feeling and in view of the threats of German reprisals on their prisoners.

London, March 1.

In the House of Commons Colonel Amery, replying to Sir Watson Cheyne, who asked if German women were being given priority of departure from Singapore on passenger steamers to Europe to the exclusion of invalid British women and children requiring immediate removal from a tropical climate, said that Sir Cheyne was doubtless referring to the requisitioning of the Nore and Novara for the deportation of Germans from China. Lord Milner was aware of the pressing need for passengers' accommodation for women and children from the East and the matter had given him much concern. He was communicating with the Ministry of Shipping, but in view of the great importance and urgency attached to the removal of enemy subjects from China Mr. Amery feared the decision regarding the Nore and Novara was unalterable.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

London, Feb. 24.

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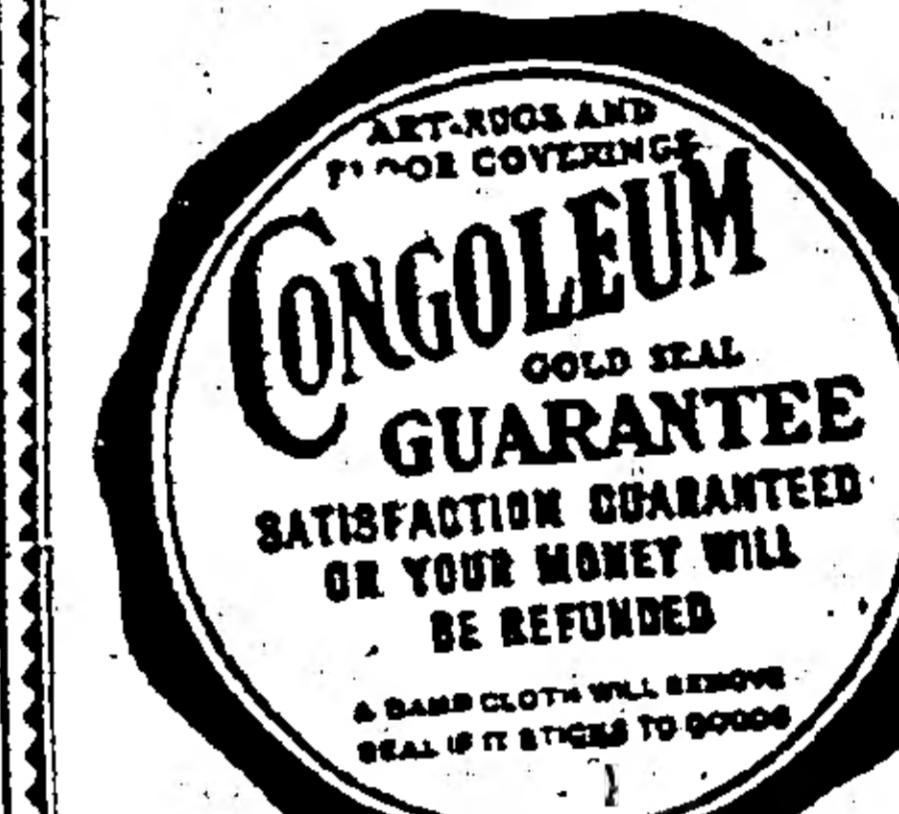
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### THE REPATRIATION OF GERMANS.

It will be seen from a cable which has arrived over the week-end that the question of Germans being given priority of departure from the East on passenger steamers to the exclusion of invalid British women and children requiring immediate removal from a tropical climate, has been raised in the House of Commons by Sir William Watson Cheyne, who had been telegraphically requested by medical men of the Straits Settlements and F. M. S. to bring the matter to the notice of the Government. We published, some days ago, a report of the meeting of doctors held in Singapore, and from this account it will have been noticed that the paramount claim to primary consideration for British invalids was strongly urged. In fact, it was stated that a postponement in departure would entail "the gravest risks to the health and lives of numbers of British women and children." Such a declaration would not have been made by British medical men without good reason, and, with the facts as they are, we can well appreciate the indignation caused by the requisitioning of liners for the deportation of Germans from China.

The Government spokesman in the House of Commons, replying to the representations made, stated that Lord Milner was aware of the pressing need for passenger accommodation of women and children from the East, which, we are told, has given him "much concern." There is always a "but" in matters of this kind, and so we have the statement that while communications are being made with the Ministry of Communications, in view of the great importance and urgency attached to the removal of enemy subjects from China, it is feared that the decision regarding the Nore and Novara is unalterable. This is rather cold comfort for those who had hoped that the strong protests from Singapore doctors and other residents would have caused at any rate some modification of the arrangements. We do not doubt either the importance or urgency of the removal of Germans from China, but surely the health and lives of British women and children are matters of equal, nay, even greater, moment. We do not know how far advanced the arrangements are for the repatriation of enemy subjects from China, but recent reports would appear to suggest that it may be some considerable time yet ere they can all be packed off. Be that as it may, we have yet to be convinced that the requisitioning of British liners on the regular Eastern run is the only way of dealing with the matter. Why should the British always be called upon to do these things? Ships flying other Allied flags might at any rate have been called upon to share in the work. But no—British vessels are required at short notice to cancel their ordinary sailings so that Germans can be taken quickly home.

It is not as though this question of the removal of Germans from China had suddenly sprung up. It had been talked about, advocated and promised for very many months, and it must have been known that the step would eventually be taken. The exercise of foresight, therefore, would have done away with the necessity of robbing British women and children of passages. Even if ships other than British could not have been secured for the work, what objection could there be to the suggestion made in Singapore that the Huns should be sent back on returning Australian troops? It would appear, from the fact that the Ministry of Shipping is being communicated with on the subject, that other vessels may be made available for those Britishers who have lost their passages. If that be so, why could the Germans not be repatriated on these ships and the P. and O. vessels not be interfered with? A few weeks would not matter much in the case of the Germans; to British invalids it is distinctly otherwise. We cannot but think that the whole business has been very badly handled, and though Officialdom is none too sympathetic in its attitude, we can only express the hope that special steps will be taken to see that these British women and children may soon find accommodation provided for them.

### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

#### THE ALLIES' IDEAL.

The German General Staff, the disbandment of which is to be included in the peace terms, has been, without doubt, the biggest and most powerful factor in Germany's past military policy. Mr. Gerard's books have shown us something of the tremendous power which this body of picked militarists wielded in the Fatherland—how that it had as much, if not more, to do with decisions of war and peace as the Emperor himself. It has, in fact, been above all control, popular or otherwise, and its existence is therefore no longer to be tolerated. It has had its worshippers in Germany, of course, but that was only to be expected when we remember with what intense thoroughness the military idea was pumped into all classes of the people. We are going to strike at the roots here also, for a message to hand says that the teaching of war as a science will not be permitted by the Allies. Thus in time, by these two wise steps, we hope to purge the Hun of the military canker which has been eating into their souls. All this will be to the good of the Germans themselves, and although it may take more than one generation to kill the germ, the ideal aimed at, for the sake of world amity, is the building up of a Germany whose subjects shall turn their energies towards the arts of peace rather than the so-called glories of war.

#### A RAD POLICY.

We see that the continued borrowing of money by China from Japan has again been receiving the attention of the British and American Ministers at Peking, who have paid a visit to the Chinese Foreign Department on the subject. The Vice Minister is said to have replied that if these borrowings are cancelled there will be no money with which to pay the Peking troops, who may therefore revolt. The visiting Ministers, we are informed, were dissatisfied with this statement. We are not surprised that they should be. It is a pretty pass when, in order to keep soldiers quiet, resource has to be had to continue borrowing from outside sources. The Chairman at last Saturday's annual meeting of Hongkong and Shanghai Bank shareholders dilated upon the danger of China going on contracting loans of this character, on terms corresponding to the extremity of her needs. And yet it appears that the process continues. The little incident which we have noticed in opening only shows the grip which the militarists have on affairs. China has gone Army mad, and now she is reaping trouble from her absurd policy. If warnings will do anything, China should soon take a better course, but we fear that she has now so committed herself that she will find it increasingly difficult to turn into the right path.

#### THE ROYAL BETROTHAL.

For the last three years, ever since our Prince of Wales came of age, there have been many rumours as to his engagement to one or other the princesses of royal blood in Europe. There have also been many suggestions as to whom he should marry, and the reasons why, but we think that his betrothal to Princess Yolanda of Italy, just announced, will be hailed by all with satisfaction and pleasure. Princess Yolanda Margherita, to give her her full name, is the eldest of the Italian princesses, being born in June 1901, so that she is eighteen years of age. Her mother, who before her marriage to King Victor Emmanuel, was Princess Helen, daughter of King Nicholas of Montenegro, comes of a royal family which is famous for the beauty of its women-folk, and Princess Yolanda is a true child of her mother in this respect, for she is reputed to be one of the most beautiful princesses in Europe. The betrothal of the Prince of Wales has everything to recommend it, for not only will the match be popular from a sentimental point of view, but also from a political one. Italy in the war has played a glorious part, and has stood firmly with the Allies through hardships and dangers. The war has welded together Britain and Italy in bonds of friendship and comradeship, as never before, and the betrothal of our Prince and Italy's Princess will only serve to make these bonds more firm, and the friendship more undying.

### DAY BY DAY.

EDUCATION IS NOT THE AUTHORITY—COMPELLING MECHANICAL TRAINING OF PASSIVE PUPILS.

On Saturday, one fatal case of bubonic plague was notified.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley is to conduct an important Conference in connection with the C. E. M. S. to-morrow evening at St. Paul's College, commencing at 9 p.m.

We regret to say that Mr. Chapman Fuller's recovery has not been nearly so rapid as we had hoped and he is still in hospital, and has had a great deal of pain. He hopes to go on leave at the end of March, to England, and to be back in November or December.—Church Notes.

The Seventh Canton Athletic Meet, the largest one in the history of the Association in point of numbers and entries, closed on Saturday. The first, second, and third places of honour went respectively to Canton Christian College, Pui Ying School, and the South China Athletic Club of Hongkong.

Considerable curiosity is being aroused by the circulation of a letter by J. Rufus Wallingford, making mention of a scheme "which will permit those who are fortunate enough to have the opportunity to participate in it, to get rich quick at very little risk and expenditure and at possibly no trouble to themselves." As we are all more or less seeking wealth, the scheme will no doubt make a universal appeal. We understand that further interesting announcements may shortly be expected in connection with the matter.

Details of the death of Captain W. H. Vivash, who was an assistant master in the Diocesan Boys' School, have lately come to hand, says *Church Notes*. He was killed on the morning of August 9th, being hit on the head by a piece of shell while going out to inspect one of his tanks that had been knocked out during the great advance of the previous day. He was buried on the spot. His major writes: "He was always cheery and most popular with all and a thorough sportsman and gentleman. I myself have always considered him one of our best officers. He was always to be trusted."

If you want to see a good picture, superbly staged, from a plot free from penny dreadfulism, that picture is "The Doctor and the Woman," which will be screened to-night, to-morrow and the day after at the Victoria Theatre. The management of the Theatre, following their usual practice, have secured the best in film production, and there is no doubt that "The Doctor and the Woman" will enhance this reputation. The programme will also comprise the educational Pathé Gazette and a comic, and this, combined with the delightful orchestra, should prove highly enjoyable to patrons. Bookings for seats are heavy.

Edgar Warwick announces the last four nights of the return season of "Vanity Fair." Every evening there will be some freak vanities introduced, and on Thursday, the last night of the season, a special bill will be presented in which all the most popular items of the two seasons will be included. The company is giving us a treat that we do not often have. Leslie Holmes's popularity is phenomenal, and his entrance is the sign for loud applause before he even commences to do anything. Not only does he reduce the audience to a state bordering on helplessness, but the same infectious atmosphere pervades the stage, and it is an uncommon thing to witness the whole company convulsed with laughter during the time he is performing. The ladies of the company have all made heaps of friends here, too, and altogether we are indebted to Edgar Warwick for bringing us such a very cheery show during these dull days.

### CURRENT COIN.

[BY "MERCARTOR"]

The Races were the great attraction of the week; consequently things on the Stock Exchange have been dull. The inclination to make forward purchases is too strong at present on the Exchange. We all know the aftermath of such transactions. They are the canker in legitimate share purchases. Forward deals are an unhealthy sign. They usually end in disaster to the broker or his constituent. To elucidate this point, I may cite a woeful tale that was told me the other day by a local broker. His wail was that it is not all beer and skittles with share brokers, for although signs of activity on the Exchange may be apparent, these cannot not compensate the heavy losses which some brokers have to make good owing to their clients not being able to face the music on the settlement day. One broker, for instance, is said to have been involved, by the failure of a dealer in forward, to the extent of a lakh of dollars. This is unfortunate, and there is only one remedy, and that is for the Stock Exchange to ban forward transactions.

A share broker, when he secures shares for a client for delivery two or three months hence, usually takes certain precautions. He knows that his client, in the event of a serious drop, would be in a position to pay up the difference between the contracted rate and that ruling on the day of delivery. The broker thinks he knows a hawk from a hen-hawk. But the get-rich-quick brigade of forward share purchasers can play up old gooseberry with the brokers. A purchaser may be good for a certain sum, but not for any sum. While he has contracted with his own broker, he may privately have done the same with half-a-dozen others, and when the settlement day arrives and the market price has slumped terribly, then is the day of reckoning for the brokers—the massacre of the innocents. We know of the story of Ixion, who, as a punishment for falling in love with Juno, was hurled to Tartarus, and there bound to a wheel which perpetually revolved. Brokers who go in for risky forward deals tread the Ixionic wheel for this offence.

Regarding the desirability of banning forward deals by members of the Hongkong Stock Exchange, a precedent already exists on the Rangoon Stock Exchange. In 1909 Burma was swept by an oil-gambling fever. Numerous mushroom companies were floated and shares put on the market. The shares of these concerns were rushed up 200 to 300 per cent above premium before any machinery was put on the ground. Everybody contracted the gambling fever and everything looked so rosy until the bubble burst, involving brokers heavily. The Committee of the Rangoon Stock Exchange, in conclave, decided to prohibit forward deals, and if the same were done in Hongkong, it would ensure a healthy market.

The Langkat Oil Co. have declared a dividend of two cents per share. The profit and loss account shows a surplus of Tls. 726,763, including Tls. 365,603 brought forward from last year. The announcement of the dividend has sent the shares up to Tls. 24. We are told that the demand has now slackened off. One firm of brokers tells us that Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been done at \$150 and \$160 and there is said to be a strong inclination to buy forward. Douglas Steamships have been taken off the market, we are told, in fairly large quantities at \$93 and \$93.50 for cash and \$95 for April. And yet Douglas can be had at present at these rates.

Japan is desirous of securing a firm grip on the Indian market, but the Indians are anxious that this should not be so. An Indian merchant wanting accommodation, nothing less than a year, appeals

### OUR PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT.

Of late we have had considerable difficulty with our news-vendors, and complaints have reached us particularly regarding the absence from on Saturday's issue of the popular Pictorial Supplement. It goes without saying, of course, that when we advertise that a supplement is being presented with the Saturday's issue, a sufficient number is printed for all our readers. On Saturday, however, we discovered one news vendor, who had carefully extracted the supplements from his papers and had no fewer than seventeen copies laid by. This particular boy was stationed near the Star Ferry and no doubt several purchasers of the paper were intensely disappointed at finding no supplement with the issue. We cannot at the moment understand why the news-vendors should extract these pictorial sheets—whether it is to resell separately for gain or not we have not yet discovered but we are investigating the matter with the assistance of the Police. In the meantime, we request our readers to examine the Saturday's issue at the time of purchase in order to make sure that it contains the Supplement, and to report to us any instances in which it is not supplied. In this way they will be protecting themselves and at the same time greatly assisting us in seeing that all our readers procure the pictorial sheet.

to him. This Japanese manufacturer or merchant is not prepared to grant him. Again, the Indian is not enamoured of shoddy Japanese goods. They are cheaper, no doubt, than the British manufactures, but experience has now taught him that although the *betel*, or English, goods cost him more than the Japanese stuff, they are more serviceable. As a result, when the Armistice was signed, the Indian importers and dealers began to create disputes, and demanded a suspension or cancellation of the orders that they had previously placed and which had not till the conclusion of the Armistice been executed. This has given our Japanese friends furiously to think, and, what is more, they are determined that the Japanese market in India should be fortified against "revived competition" from British and German rivals. A scheme for the purpose has been evolved whereby Japanese exporters and manufacturers trading with India are to organise themselves into a syndicate in order that they may obtain special banking facilities. The Japanese manufacturer is unable to grant long credits to his customers, but by combining, it is hoped, accommodation at low interest may be secured from the bank, thus enabling credit to be given for a long period. This, it is stated, will do much for the promotion of Japan's trade with India.

With the prospect of more vessels being released in the near future, it is felt that the time is opportune for agitating for through sailings to the Far East from England, for those sailing by the Suez route. As it stood before the war, passengers vying for Far Eastwards had to change at Colombo. It is pointed out that Australia and India had their through steamers and there is no reason why all the regular Companies should not give the same facilities to the Far East.

In Java the Government is considering or is about to decide that 25 per cent. of sugar lands shall be taken away from the planters and given over to paddy cultivation, for they have a population of 35 millions and a growing number to consider. There is a world shortage of foodstuffs, which are very scarce and expensive. Most of the world is on rations and parts of it are starving. A wail comes from Malaya, which does not grow enough rice for her own consumption and normally imports some 12,000 tons.

Only a few nights remain of the Company's season here. Those who revel in humour and harmony should make a point of spending an evening with these merry-makers before they leave our shores.

### ST. DAVID'S DAY.

#### HONGKONG WELSHMEN CELEBRATE.

Local Welshmen celebrated St. David's Day on Saturday by holding a tea and concert at the Seamen's Institute, and the occasion was in every way a complete success. There was a large attendance, including many Service men, and the hall was very effectively decorated with flags and bunting. His Honour the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies, K. C.) and Lady Rees Davies were early arrivals, while H. E. the Officer Administering the Government and party were among those attending the concert. The evening's arrangements were in the hands of Mr. W. G. Rodney (Hon. Secretary), Mr. W. T. Edwards (Hon. Treasurer), assisted by Mrs. Rodney, Mrs. Edwards, and Mr. and Mrs. Allen; and all are to be complimented on the success attained. The tea was all that could be desired, and at its close a number of toasts were honoured.

At the concert which followed, the Chairman (Sir William Rees Davies) delivered a brief speech, in which he spoke of the conspicuous service rendered by the Welsh Guards during the war, and spoke of the glories of Wales, the land of song, mentioning, of course, Mr. Lloyd George, who, he said, was a Pembroke man. He had rendered great service to the country in the great crisis and had been spoken of as the man who had won the war.

The programme was a most delightful one, and, of course, Welsh items were much in evidence. The selections by the band of H.M.S.—were especially enjoyable. Solos were rendered by Mrs. W. T. Edwards, Mrs. Lyle, Lieut. Lewis, R. N., Meeks Pearce, George, W. B. Cawsey, and H. J. Jones; while the efforts of the Welsh Glee Party were greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Lyle and Mr. Cawsey were associated in a splendid duet, and another vocal item which was much appreciated was the quartette by Meers Cawsey, Pearce, Jones and George. Instrumental numbers were supplied by Mr. Skeating (violin) and Mr. Albinson (cello); and altogether a most admirable evening was spent.

### VANITY FAIR.

#### SATURDAY'S SHOW.

There was quite a large audience at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night, when the *Vanity Fair* Company put on a most delightful programme, full of variety and rich in merit. There were several "request" numbers in the bill of fare, these including some of the Company's most attractive items. "The Bells of St. Mary," for instance, was one of these, and so daintily was it presented that the audience would not be content until its contributors had made a reappearance. Another most striking number, combining a picturesque setting with most harmonious part-singing, was "The Valley of the Moon," by Thelma Llewellyn and chorus. "Seaside interruptions" also was effectively done and provoked plenty of laughter. Miss Boyd, Miss Madge Griffith and Miss Dorothy May were each responsible for delightful solos, as also were Mr. Sydney Manning and Mr. George Graystone, both of whom were in top form. Miss Vera Peacock and Mr. Titchener did some smart dancing, too. Of course, Mr. Leslie Holmes figured prominently in song and joke, and once again he made a tremendous hit; he is too funny for words. The programme concluded with the fantasy, "A Day in Toyland," which was really splendidly done.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

## A POSTAL COMPLAINT.

[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

Sir.—The community of Yunnanfu and province have suffered and are suffering to a degree that is becoming more and more unbearable. The loss of articles—impossible to procure at this distance—loss of money, and the inconvenience caused by this outrage, are past the conception of folk supposed to be living in a civilised age, and among civilised people. I refer to the constant pilfering which occurs in the Parcel Post service between this province and Hongkong. Things have come to such a pass that one doesn't feel inclined to claim his parcel upon notice of its arrival here, feeling almost certain of the disappointment that awaits him upon opening it viz. that half or two-thirds of the best of the contents have been removed. I could quote instance after instance, proving the above, but that would take too long.

I see under Post Office notices, that the Director General of Peking "Advised that only parcels which are extra strongly packed, can be accepted for transmission to Yunnanfu." Naturally, one wonders what might be safely termed "extra strongly." Covers of wood boxes are carefully lifted, contents removed—nearly all of them—and cover neatly nailed down again. Cloth covers well sewed, are ripped open, and, in the absence of a tailor on the job, are left yawning. Even tin boxes have been jabbled and pried open, with contents, if left at all, left to go their own way. Might one ask what is "extra strongly," and why is all this precaution necessary on so short a journey, and with no apparent result? If one of the many oppressed might suggest, we fear that something more than precaution re packing is necessary to bring about an end to this scandalous practise!

But the situation becomes worse instead of better. No-one is exempt from the effects of the evil practices of the guilty party, or parties. Missionaries, doctors, merchants, foreign and Chinese, all bear more than their share of loss from this source. Only recently, parcels arrived here from England, having safely run the blockade of Hun submarines, and after apparently passing the Hongkong Post Office in good condition, reached here with nearly everything of value removed. These articles were each wrapped and sewed securely more than once to ensure their arrival in good condition, instead of which they did not arrive at all! Again, a wood box was opened, neatly nailed down again, and reached the owner here with two out of three made-to-order garments from a well-known Hongkong draper, valued at over \$80.00, having been removed, on the short journey from Hongkong to

## LAUNCH FIRED ON IN HARBOUR.

## MAXIM GUN USED.

There was an exciting chase in the harbour on Friday evening at 5 p.m., between two launches, the one the Yau Fat and the other No. 1 Police launch.

On the evening in question, the No. 1 Police launch was on patrol between Patung Island and Anchow. The Yau Fat was seen approaching, but no sooner did she see that it was the police launch than she altered her course and steered in the direction of Tai-long. The Police launch steamed up and enquired of the other where she was from. The crew replied that they were from Tai-O. The sea was choppy and the Yau Fat was allowed to proceed on her course unhindered.

After she had gone a little distance, the Police detected something floating on the waters, and picked it up. It was picked up before it was wet, and on being opened, the parcel was found to contain opium. It was attached to a sinker, in concealed tins. The Yau Fat, in trying to sink it, put too much rope, and consequently the stuff came up on top instead of sinking to the bottom. When it was picked up, the bundle was mistaken for a sugar parcel. At any rate,

The Police launch chased the Yau Fat, and when the latter refused to stop, twenty shots were fired from a Maxim gun on the bows. The Yau Fat turned round to go back. This was off Tai-long near Chung-chow, or Dumbell Island.

The crew of the Yau Fat were arraigned on trial this morning before Mr. J. R. Wood. There were no passengers on board this launch.

Inspector Gordon prosecuted and Mr. M. K. Lo defended.

Mr. Lo said he was not fully instructed as yet. It seemed to him, from the opening of Inspector Gordon, that there was nothing against his clients. The opium was picked up in the sea.

Mr. Wood.—That may be.

Mr. Lo.—As I say, I was not fully instructed as to the facts. My clients deny all knowledge of the opium. They deny knowing anything about the opium. I do not know the attendant circumstances. I understand that the master of the launch is not before your Worship. The coxswain and the assistant coxswain have been arrested. I understand that the launch is detained by the Police. I have already applied for the release of the launch. I do not understand what the launch has got to do with the proceedings.

Mr. Wood (to Inspector Gordon):—Are you going to bring a charge against the owner?

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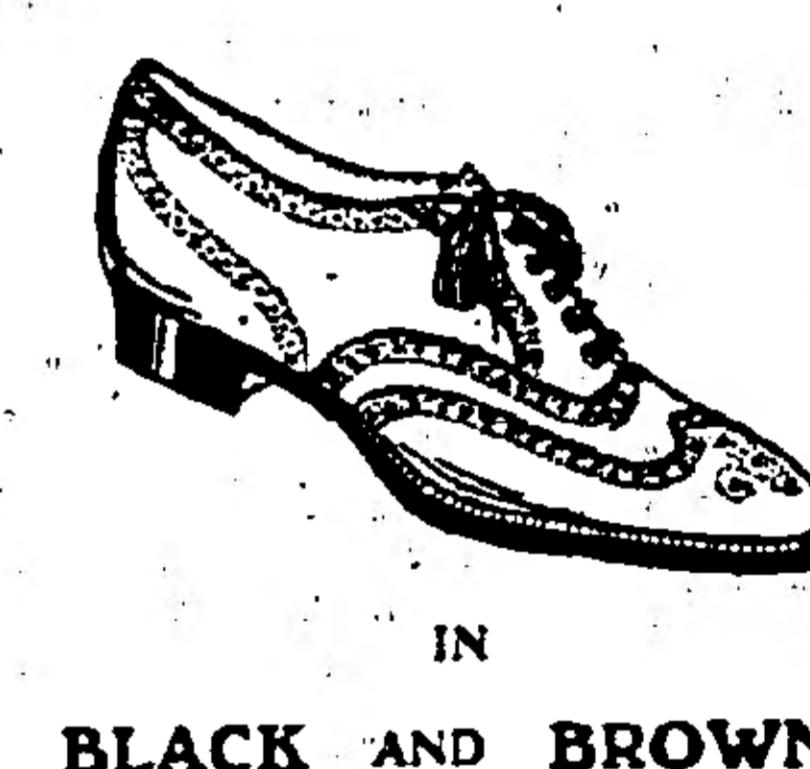
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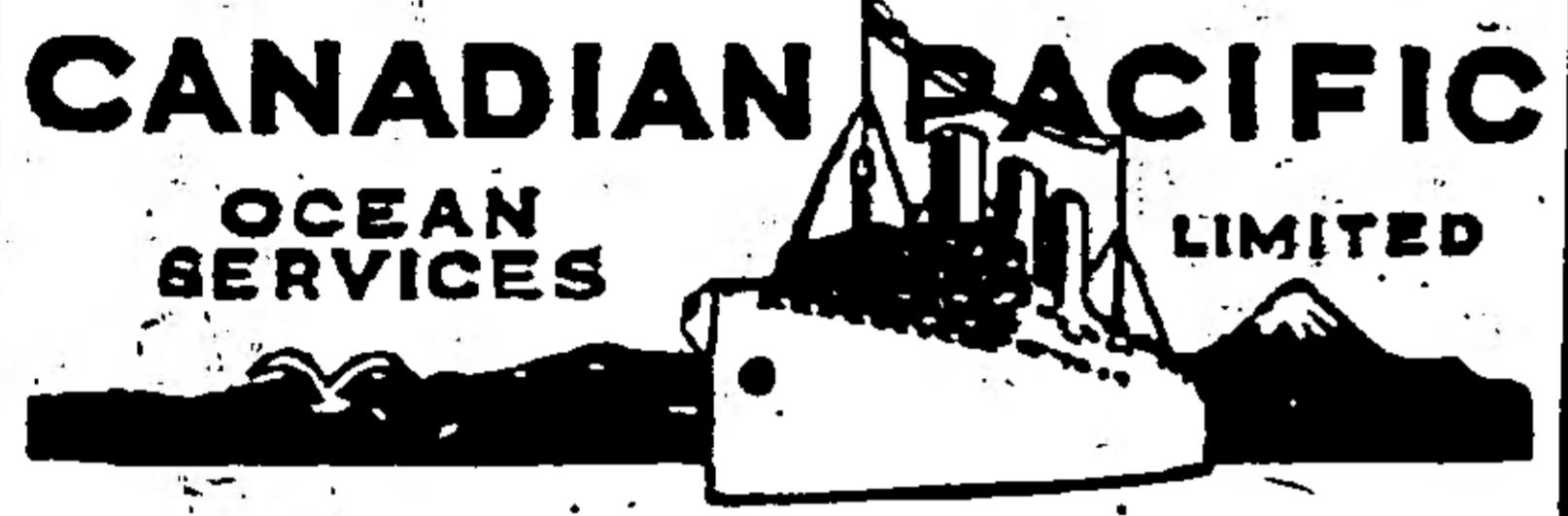
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The positions of the leading Clubs in the two Senior Leagues are very interesting.

In the Hongkong League, the Club, who head the table, have to meet the Navy, the latter club having also to meet the Royal Engineers, who have sprung several surprises this season on their opponents. The game between the Navy and the Club should, however, settle the Championship of the Hongkong League, and as it will be necessary for either Club to win outright to make sure of the Championship, a hard match is bound to result.

In the United Service's League the position is a very open one with Navy in the best relative position, but as the three leading Clubs have to meet one another, the issue of this competition is decidedly doubtful and full of sporting chances. Navy have to meet the Club, R. A., S. C. A., and R. E., the Club have to meet Navy, R. E. R. A., and S. C. A. whilst the Royal Engineers have three matches only, against the Club, S. C. A. and Navy, all stiff tasks, but a win against all three would about give them the Championship. There is every likelihood of a very exciting wind-up to the end of the season, with prospects of some rare good tussles. The League tables show the positions of the Clubs to date.

LEPER WORK.

AN INTERESTING SERMON.

Dr. Neville Bradley, Superintendent of the C.M.S. Hospital and Leper Work at Pakhoi and Yunan, occupied the pulpit last evening at St. John's cathedral. His discourse was listened to with deep interest by the congregation, which included H. E. the Officer Administering the Government and the Bishop of Victoria.

In the course of his sermon, Dr. Bradley said some thirty years ago three students, after qualifying at Edinburgh, decided to devote their lives to medical work in China, and their efforts resulted in the foundation of the three hospitals at Mukden, Hangchow and Pakhoi. Two of the hospitals had been recognised by the Chinese Government as proper places for the training of medical students. There was a reason for the carrying on of medical mission work. Here was a country of four hundred million people with practically no medical aid of any kind. In the province of Yunnan, with a population of 12,000,000, there were at present only two hospitals. Kwangtung was better supplied. In Canton there were some splendid hospitals, but nothing to what there should be. China appreciated the help that was thus given them. One of the reasons why they should support medical missions was that they came from a country in which they got the best medical aid possible, so that it was their duty to those in this country of China to give them help. They sold them their wares and advised them on all commercial matters and surely alongside this they should bring them something of the benefits of medicine and surgery. In Pakhoi they had a large hospital of 150 beds. Here for the last 30 years they had been seeking to alleviate the sufferings of the afflicted people; but it was only in recent years, thanks to the researches of Sir L. Rogers, that they had a hope of carrying out a cure. Unless they had mixed with lepers, as he had, they had no idea of hopelessness of their lives. Cut off from their friends, turned out of their homes, their only hope was to beg in the streets and gradually die as the disease spread further and further. Ten years ago he had an outbreak of cholera in Pakhoi and out of every 100 patients who were brought into the hospital eighty died. But again, thanks to Sir L. Rogers, they were now confident of curing 75 percent of the patients.

In concluding, the preacher gave an interesting example of how the lepers at Pakhoi assisted in helping forward the Allied cause in the war. The work of propaganda had become a byword, and at the outbreak of war the Germans were prepared to flood China with newspapers on their behalf. The German mission at Pakhoi was not a laggard and at once started a paper supporting the Fatherland and some said that they were "Germans first and Christians second." He was approached by some Chinese who asked whether he could not do something to counteract the lies and untruths that were being printed week by week in the German papers. After consideration it was decided that something could be done and week by week a paper was set up in the leper compound by men some of whom had only two fingers with which to pick up the type. When he had to leave for Russia he thought the best thing would be for the paper to cease, but the French authorities approached him and said that it was a pity that this should happen and now, instead of the paper being run at the expense of the mission, most of the expense was borne by the French Government. The people were grateful for what was done, but much still remained to be done. He was not there to appeal for funds for the missions. He asked them to look at the economic value of the work. The trader who followed the medical missionary was sure of a welcome because the people had learned to trust

CRICKET.

KOWLOON v. UNIVERSITY.

This friendly match was played at Kowloon on Saturday and ended in a win for the home team by eight runs. The scores were:

KOWLOON.

C. J. Stapleton, c Marley, b Wright ... 52

R. Pessionji, b Samy ... 18

C.P. James, c Wright, b Samy 10

K. Macaskill, c Basto, b Samy 10

J. H. Head (Capt.), run out ... 9

J. M. Cochrane, c Choa, b Samy 6

Ranjahn ... 6

E. J. Edwards, not out ... 15

D. G. Nicoll, c Basto, b Wright 3

H. Overy, c Gittins, b Wright 0

W. Hyde, c Samy, b Wright 0

Extras ... 7

Total ... 130

Bowling.

O. M. R. W. Marley ... 9 1 37 0

Samy ... 5 0 36 3

Wright ... 9 4 1 27 4

Ranjahn ... 6 0 23 0

UNIVERSITY.

Marley, b Cochrane ... 13

Gittins, b Cochrane ... 1

Ranjahn (Capt.), b Cochrane 0

Wright, c and b James ... 33

Samy, c Edwards, b Pessionji 18

Atenza, b James ... 0

Basto, b Pessionji ... 12

Choa, c James ... 10

Chua, c Cochrane, b James ... 9

H. Hall, not out ... 4

Extras ... 22

Total ... 122

Bowling.

O. M. R. W. H. Overy ... 1 1 21 0

J. M. Cochrane ... 8 0 19 3

C. P. James ... 11 2 0 35 4

R. Pessionji ... 10 1 25 12

MR. FORD RETIRES.

It is announced by the Wireless Press that Mr. Henry Ford is resigning as head of the Ford Motor Co., and is succeeded by his son. He makes his resignation the opportunity of fixing a minimum wage of 30s. a day for his workers. The manager at the London offices of the company said that at present he is not able to make any statement with regard to this announcement so far as the company in England is concerned. As promised a month ago by Sir Percival Perry, managing director of the company in England, the hours of work have been reduced from 48 to 40, and the standard wage has been raised from £3 to £3 13s. 4d. at the Trafford Park works.

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A party of 85 strangely-dressed non-commissioned officers who arrived in London recently from Germany had an extraordinary adventure. When the armistice was signed they left their camp on foot, hoping to reach the Allied lines. After a time they reached what they thought was a wide river, but which turned out to be the Kiel Canal. They commandeered a ship, which was a small auxiliary of the German fleet, and ordered the crew to take them to the open sea. They were picked up by a British destroyer. When they arrived one had on a pair of sailor's trousers, a torn khaki tunic, and a civilian cap; another wore a Norfolk coat; a third sported a pair of ill-fitting riding breeches and a fisherman's peaked cap, while all alike were emaciated.

the missionary. They were now starting on another Lent which called them to self denial. He asked them not to go from this country, perhaps to England, and speak loosely of mission work. There were plenty of examples of what it was doing here in Hongkong if they cared to look.

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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B.—BUYERS; C.—NOMINAL.

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H. K. Fires b. \$385

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Douglasas b. 93

Steamboats b. \$204

Indos (Pref.) b. \$31

Indos (Def.) b. \$158

Shells b. \$1625

Ferries b. \$33

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Langkats b. \$23

Raubs b. 3

Truchos b. 47

Urais b. 40

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Kowloon Docks b. \$161

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N. Enginings b. \$204

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H'phey Est. b. \$710

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L. Reclaimations b. \$175

West Points b. \$68

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Shai Coltons b. \$162

Yangtszeopos b. \$940

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Borneos b. \$114

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H. K. Electrica b. \$77

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Ropes b. 40

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Trams, Peak, old b. \$71

Trams, Peak, new b. cts. 73

Landries b. \$3 62

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## POST OFFICE.

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Inspector Gordon.—It will depend on the present charge. The owner is liable to a fine of \$5,000. Any way, I will proceed against him by summons instead of a warrant. I do not think he should get the launch. She may proceed outside of the Colony; she may be in Canton. She can be forfeited by the Crown. She is a fair sized launch—30 tons gross.

Mr. Wood.—It will depend whether the boat is liable to forfeiture or not. It depends on the tonnage. If she is built to a certain tonnage, she is liable to forfeiture.

Inspector Gordon.—In the meantime we will keep the launch.

Mr. Wood.—What is the value of the opium?

Inspector Gordon.—The value of the opium is \$3,360.

Mr. Wood.—The position is that two of them are coxswains. Can you place the responsibility on anyone?

Inspector Gordon.—I cannot place any responsibility on anyone.

Mr. Lo applied for a remand and Mr. Wood fixed Thursday afternoon.

On the question of bail there was an interesting argument.

Mr. Wood.—Suppose I fix the bail at \$250 each and \$50 for the fifth and twelfth defendants.

Inspector Gordon.—If they get out they will be away. You will never see them again. I will have no case against them. Two hundred and fifty dollars is absolutely nothing to the syndicate that I am working against. For Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 I ask for substantial bail.

Mr. Lo.—Assuming that there is a syndicate. It is serious enough to make against persons when there is no evidence.

Mr. Wood (to Inspector Gordon).—What do you say to \$2,000—Yes, if you please.

No. 1 defendant (coxswain) was remanded in bail of \$10,000. No. 1 defendant (assistant coxswain) \$5,000. Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6 \$1,500 each. Nos. 7, and 10 \$250 each. Nos. 8, \$2,000. No. 11, \$200 and No. 12 \$50.

## WEATHER REPORT.

March 3d. 11th. 12th.—No return from Japan. Vladivostok and Whalwell. Pressure has increased slightly to moderately at all reporting stations, an anticyclone of moderate intensity having developed over N. China.

Hongkong. Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st 2.13 inches against an average of 3.19 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

Direction Forecast

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

2 Fortune Channel N. winds, fresh to strong.

3 South coast of China bet. the sea's between H.K. and Lantau. as No. 1.

4 South coast of China bet. the same between H.K. and Hainan. as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register, Mar. 4, a.m.

Station Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Wind. Humidity. Direction. Force. Weather.

Vostok 10. 30.15 43 103 e 1 b b

Namuro 10. 30.14 54 89 nw 2 o

Hababot 10. 30.14 58 91 e 4 o

Takao 10. 30.13 57 87 nne 1 o

Fukoku 10. 30.10 63 85 e 6 b

Taihoo 10. 30.06 63 n 0 o

Taiwan 10. 30.05 61 n 4 b

Kochiu 10. 30.02 70 n 6 b

Palau 10. 30.07 61 n 6 o

Canton 10. 30.06 66 91 e 2 o

Hongkong 10. 30.08 63 94 e 4 o

Gap Rock 10. 30.03 63 92 e 6 o

Macau 10. 30.01 63 94 e 4 b

Woolow 10. 30.00 63 91 n 4 o

Fukien 10. 29.35 75 100 nne 4 of

Tonkin 10. 29.31 72 nne 4 b

O. S. S. J. 10. 29.30 63 84 e 4 b

Amoy 10. 29.29 63 84 e 4 b

Daupan 10. 29.23 65 82 ne 1 o

Lapeng 10. 29.24 73 78 4 o

Macabua 10. 29.22 73 91 nw 1 b

Malolo 10. 29.23 75 86 4 b

Barigao 10. 29.21 73 96 1 b

Gum 10. 29.22 73 96 14 r

Laos 10. 29.23 80 91 n 4 o

C. W. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant, Haydock Observatory, Mar. 4, 1919.

1 Barometer, reduced to 35 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation of the atmosphere with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, a blue sky, a detached cloud, a drizzling rain, fog, gloom, a half-lightning, a overcast, passing shower, a squall, a rain, a snow, thunder, visibility, w. dew wet.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On date On date.

Barometer 23.98 30.06 31.03

Temperature 71 63 68

Humidity 85 91 71

Wind Direction E. E. E.

Force 3 4 3

Weather 0. 0. 0.

Sun 0.00 0.00 0.00

Cloudiness of Temperature at the end of the day 0.00 0.00 0.00

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